Regional Office, Bhopal to approve the diversion of forest land between 05 to 20 hectares; and

(c) if so, the decision taken by the Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) Government of India has been receiving requests from various State Governments to delegate power to State Governments under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 for diversion of forest areas. But, the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 does not permit delegation of power to the State Governments.

(b) and (c) Revision of delegation of power to Chief Conservator of Forests, Regional Offices, is under consideration of this Ministry.

Fake Degrees

3761. SHRI JAGAT VIR SINGH DRONA : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a racket of fake degrees has come to light in Chandra Sekhar Agricultural University in Kanpur in January, 1997;

(b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;

(c) if so, the findings thereof; and

(d) the action proposed to curb this menace?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (EXCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING) (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and the same will be placed on the Table of the Lok Sabha in due course.

Computers to Stop Dissection of Animals

3762. SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Animal Welfare Board of India propose to introduce sophisticated software models of computers to stop dissection of animals in schools;

(b) if so, the time by which these computers are likely to be introduced;

(c) whether the matter has also been discussed with the State Governments;

(d) if so, the response of the State Governments thereto;

(e) whether any State Welfare Board is likely to be set up; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and the main functions of the Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) Introduction of the software model of computers in schools to stop dissection has been recommended by the Animal Welfare Board of India to the State Governments.

(b) No decision to switch on to the computers has yet been taken by the Ministry of Human Resource Development which is the implementing Ministry for this purpose.

(c) The Chairman of Animal Welfare Board of India has addressed letters to the Chief Ministers of the State Governments.

(d) Most of the State and Central Education Boards have indicated that due to resource crunch and non-availability of computer equipments readily they will not be in a position to switch on to the computer immediately. They have also expressed that valuable experience gained through dissection can not be fully substituted by computer models.

(e) and (f) State Advisory Boards for animal welfare have been established in 24 States/Union Territories. The main functions of these Boards are : advise the State Governments in all matters concerning animal welfare, guide the activities of Animal Welfare Organisations in the respective States and to provide financial assistance if possible, liaise with the Animal Welfare Board of India in the enforcement of the legislations concerning animal welfare, and to encourage the formation of public opinion against the infliction of unnecessary pain or sufferings to animals.

[Translation]

Sugar Mills in Madhya Pradesh

3763. DR. LAXMINARAYAN PANDEY : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether notice has been issued by the Central Pollution Control Board to sugar mills in Ratlam district in Madhya Pradesh to close the mills for defying the rules;

(b) whether any action has been taken by the Government after getting their response;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (PROF. SAIFUDDIN SOZ): (a) Yes, Sir. The Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) has served closure notice to a Sugar Mill located in Ratlam district under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for not providing adequate pollution control measures to comply with the prescribed effluent and emission standards. The industry has informed that they are in the process of installing and commissioning of Effluent Treatment Plant by the end of May/June, 1997.

(b) to (d) As CPCB has already taken action, no further action by the Government is envisaged at this stage.

[English]

Use of Names/Pictorial Representations

3764. SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the names or pictorial representations thereof whose use is prohibited under the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950;

(b) the date from which this prohibition is in force;

(c) whether the Government's attention has been drawn to any violations of this provision;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken against the violators?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV): (a) and (b) Names/pictorial representations, whose use is prohibited, are stipulated in the Schedule to the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950. Details regarding the dates from which such prohibition is in force are given in the attached statement.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Do not arise.

Statement

S.No.	Item	Date from which prohibition is in force
1	2	3
1.	The name, emblem or official seal of the United Nations Organisation.	1.9.1950
2.	The name, emblem or official seal of the World Health Organisation.	
3.	The Indian National Flag.	
4.	The name, emblem or official seal of the Government of India or of any state, or any other insignia or coat-of-arms used by any such Government or by a Department of any such Government.	
5.	The emblems of the St. John Ambulance Association (India), and the St. John Ambulance Brigade (India), consisting of the device of a white eight pointed cross embellished in the four principal angles alternatively with a lion passant quadrant and a unicorn passant, whether or not the device is surrounded or accompanied by concentric circles or other decoration or by lettering.	
6.	The name, emblem or official seal of the President, Governor (Sadar-i-Riyasat) or Public or Union of India.	1.9.1950
7.	Any name which may suggest or be calculated to suggest:—	
	(i) The patronage of the Government of India or the Government of a state; or	
	(ii) Connection with any local authority or any corporation or body constituted by the Government under any law for the time being in force.	
8.	The name, emblem or official seal of the United Nations, Educational Scientific and Cultural Organisation.	
9.	The name or pictorial representation of Rashtrapati, Rashtrapati Bhavan, Raj Bhavan.	
9A.	The name or pictorial representation of Mahatma Gandhi, Pt. Jawahar Lal Nehru, Shrimati Indira Gandhi, Chhatrapati Shivaji or the Prime Minister of India or the words Gandhi, Nehru or Shivaji except the pictorial use thereof on	8.4.1970